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SUBJECT: ANDEAN ARMS LIMITATION MEETING

REF: SANTIAGO 5370

1. SECOND MEETING OF EXPERTS ON ARMS LIMITATION IN ANDEAN AREA OPENED SEPTEMBER 1 IN SANTIAGO. REPRESENTATIVES OF CHILE, BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU AND VENEZUELA WERE IN ATTENDANCE. FON MINISTRY POL ADVISER ENRIQUE BERNSTEIN CHAIRS MEETING.

2. GOC FON MIN CARVAJAL WELCOMED DELEGATIONS WITH REFERENCE TO UNSUCCESSFUL PAST EFFORTS IN FIELD AND IMPORTANCE OF ARMS LIMITATION IN LIGHT OF DANGERS OF MODERN WAR. HE NOTED THAT DEVELOPMENT OF FINAL ACCORDS IS DIFFICULT, AND REQUIRES BUILDING OF CLIMATE OF CONFIDENCE.

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3. SEIZING ON THIS THEME, BERNSTEIN TOLD PRESS AFTER SECOND DAY'S DELIBERATIONS THAT "UNANIMOUS" DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED TO GIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION TO CONCRETE MEASURES TO CREATE THIS "CLIMATE OF CONFIDENCE AND MUTUAL RESPECT." "AS LONG AS THERE IS A LACK OF CONFIDENCE AND THE EXISTENCE OF HOSTILITY, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE A LIMITATION ON ARMAMENTS." BERNSTEIN SPECIFICALLY CITED AS POSSIBILITIES THE USE OF THE PRESS TO "INSPIRE PEACE AND RESPECT" AMONG THE ANDEAN COUNTRIES AND THE REVISION OF TEXTBOOKS TO ELIMINATE "HARMFUL" REFERENCES TO THE OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE REGION.

4. COMMENT: GIVEN PRESENT TREND OF DISCUSSIONS, ANY CONCRETE ARMS LIMITATION MEASURES STILL APPEAR DISTANT, BUT MEETING COULD PRODUCE SOME USEFUL POLITICAL INITIATIVES.
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